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Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 65/283 of 22 June 2011 on strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution,

Appreciating the efforts of the Secretary-General, the Member States, regional and subregional organizations and other relevant actors to promote the use of mediation,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General,[1] including the Guidance for Effective Mediation;[2]

2. *Invites* Member States, the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations to continue to promote and use mediation, as well as other means mentioned in Chapter VI of the Charter of the United Nations, for the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution, as appropriate and in accordance with the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter;

3. *Notes and encourages* initiatives by Member States as well as regional and subregional organizations to further and strengthen mediation in their regions;

4. *Encourages* the use, as appropriate, of the Guidance for Effective Mediation in mediation efforts, the development of mediation capacities and

[1] A/66/811.
[2] Ibid., annex I.

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cooperation, in particular in specific mediation contexts, by all relevant actors involved in mediation, in accordance with the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter;

5. *Invites* the Secretary-General to continue to brief Member States on mediation activities of the United Nations on a regular basis;

6. *Decides* to continue its consideration of the question, including the conclusions set out in the report of the Secretary-General, at its sixty-eighth session.